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U NU SHOCKS ISRAEL

BEN GURION SAYS FRIENDSHIP SOLID DESPITE "SURPRISE"

JERUSALEM, (JCNS). — Premier David Ben Gurion Sunday told a Cabinet meeting of the Israeli government that the joint statement issued in Cairo by dictator Abdul Gamal Nasser of Egypt and Premier U Nu of Burma was "an unpleasant surprise". The statement on Arab refugees was a part of a declaration published in Cairo during the weekend at the conclusion of the diplomatic talks between the two "neutral" statesmen.

ISRAEL SHOCKED

Mr. Ben Gurion's declaration to the Cabinet followed the political shock which the Cairo statement caused here. Only about a week or so ago, Mr. Ben Gurion, upon the conclusion of his visit to Burma, told the press:

"If it depended on the Burmese Prime Minister, there would be peace between Israel and the Arab countries". In explaining such a sudden change on the part of the Burmese, Mr. Ben Gurion repeated to the Cabinet members another statement made by him in Burma:

"I am afraid that though Burma's friendship with Israel is a political and moral asset for us, it cannot change Israel-Arab relations".

In their joint statement in Cairo, Nasser and U Nu declared:

SUPPORT "ARAB RIGHTS"

"We support the full restoration of all rights of the Arab people in Palestine in conformity with the charter and the resolutions of the United Nations".

This Nasser-U Nu statement is, in effect, a repetition of a similar declaration made by the "neutrals" in Belgrade and also previously in Bandung, at the conference of the Asian-African nations.

RELATIONS CONTINUE

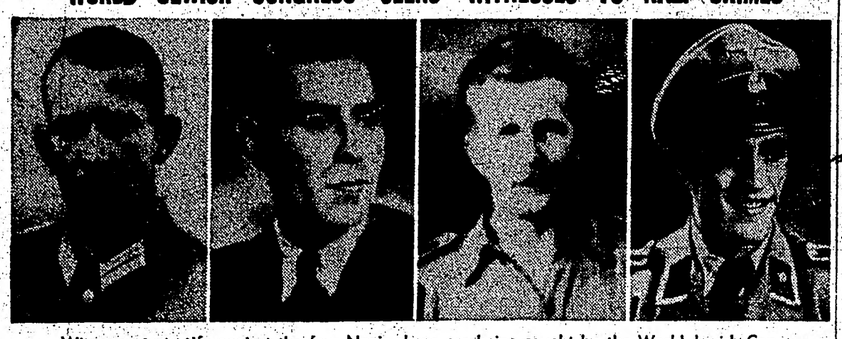
Despite this disappointment with U Nu, Premier Ben Gurion told the Cabinet meeting that the importance of political economic and cultural ties between Israel and Burma are of gratest importance. He said that, notwithstanding the news from Cairo, the cordial relations between Burma and Israel will continue. They are of special significance, Mr. Ben Gurion continued, because of the political changes now taking place the world over and particularly in Asia. Burma, the Israeli Premier concluded, is in paramount position owing its place to the fact that it has been, for centuries, the center of Buddhism, perhaps Asia's most powerful, cultural and "religious" community.

ANSWERS CRITICS

Mr. Ben Gurion termed Buddhism a tremendous spiritual force in Asia.

According to the official communique, the Prime Minister also indirectly answered his critics concerning his "religious" deviations while in Burma. Mr. Ben Gurion believes that it is important that the Burmese should understand Judaism and that "we should understand Buddhism and Asia in general".

THEY ARE STILL HIDING!
WORLD JEWISH CONGRESS SEEKS WITNESSES TO NAZI CRIMES



Witnesses to testify against the four Nazis above are being sought by the World Jewish Congress in New York in connection with a West German trial of S.S. Commander and Criminal Police Chief Heinrich Hamann, charged with the murder of thousands of Jews in Nowy Sacz and other towns of Poland. Hamann's helpers are (left to right) Georg Urban, a gendarmerie lieutenant in Limanowa; Egbert Brock, Criminal Assistant in Nowy Sacz; Gunther Labitzke, Gestapo officer in Nowy Sacz; and Josef Rouenhoff, Criminal Assistant, who for some time headed the local Jewish section of the Gestapo. The pictures were supplied by the Investigating Judge in Bochum, who has asked the World Jewish Congress to help trace any persons who can identify them or have any knowledge of their crimes. Anyone who has such information should contact Dr. Nehemiah Robinson, Director of the Institute of Jewish Affairs, World Congress, 15 East 84th Street, New York 28, N.Y. The WJC has traced a considerable number o witnesses against Hamann himself.

MANY JEWS HONORED BY QUEEN

LONDON, (JCNS). — Isaac Wolfson, one of Britain's leading business men and one of Israel's greatest benefactors was made a baronet in recognition of his philanthropic services to Britain.

Mr. Wolfson is the founder of HEICHAL SHLOMO, the Universal Rabbinical Centre in Jerusalem. He is among 2200 Britons honoured Monday, January 1st by the Queen. Other Jews in the list are: Marie Rambert, Founder of Ballet Rambert, received a DBE; Rabbi H. M. Sanger, minister of Temple Bet Israel, Melbourne, received an OBE; Miss Anna Pollak, the singer, an OBE; Rev. Dr. I.W. Slotki, an educationist, received an MBE; S. Krantz, convenor and almoner, Glasgow Jewish Board of Guardians, received an MBE; Miss Fanny Cohen, an educationist if Sydney and niece of former editor of Jewish Chronicle Asher Meyers, received an MBE.

JEWISH WOMAN IN QUEEN'S HONORS LIST

Marie Rambert D.B.E.

UK RABBI WARNS AGAINST 'MERCY TO THE CRUEL'

LONDON — Rabbi Solomon Schonfeld, Presiding Rabbi of the Union of Orth dox Hebrew Congregations, recommended that the death sentence of Adolf Eichmann should be carried out for several reasons.

In a letter to "The Times," Rabbi Schonfeld cited as authentic teaching of Judaism: "He who shows mercy to the cruel will end by being cruel to the merciful."

He went on: "It is possible that failure to carry out the verdict might be interpreted (by future opinion) as casting doubt upon the historic evidence of calculated massmurder laid before the court, or Jews guilty of lacking the courage shown by the Allies in executing leading war criminals, and this generation may be accused by its heirs of having failed to put the price upon murder of Jews for the future."

He concluded: "Anti-Semites will, in any event, continue to blame Jewry for a number of spurious wrongs, including a crucifixion of which they were never guilty."

CANADIAN JEWISH CONGRESS ASKS RIGHTS FOR SABBATH OBSERVERS

Ottawa. — The Canadian Jewish Congress has undertaken a campaign on a federal level to help applicants, who are Sabbath observers for Civil Service examinations. THE CANADIAN JEWISH NEWS learned from government sources that a brief from the Canadian Jewish Congress to this effect has already been received by the Civil Service Commission in Ottawa. In its memorandum, The Canadian Jewish Congress points out that writing of examination papers on the Jewish Sabbath "places in a very difficult position those candidates who are observant Jews and whose religious scruples forbid them from submitting to examinations on their Sabbath".

The Civil Service Commission immediately replied to the Canadian Jewish Congress. It states that according to Canadian law, Saturday is a working day. Nevertheless, there are practical considerations for holding examinations on Saturday, as most candidates are free from work on this day. However, the Civil Service Commission expressed its readiness to open discussions with Congress on this matter.

THE CANADIAN JEWISH NEWS was told by government officials that, with due respect to those who observe the Sabbath, it must point out that the official Jewish attitude is at variance with the practice of most Jews. I was told that most of the Jewish-owned businesses are open on the Sabbath and that actual strict observance of Saturday as the Jewish Sabbath is limited to a minority of Jews.

This, however, do s not signify that the Civil Service Commission will not give sympathetic consideration to Congress' request. Moreover a minority is entitled to the respect of its Sabbath. In fact, not all written examinations are conducted on Saturday. A great percentage of tests is given during the week, in the evening.

HUNDRED-YEAR-OLD WILL SETTLE AND WORK IN ISRAEL

An old man was recently referred to the Malben office in Israel for help. All he wanted was a little medical attention so that he could go out and find himself a job in his trade as a vulcaniser. Sounds normal, you say, not unusual? Yes but this particular old man was born on July 4th, 1861 which makes him over one hundred years old. He and his wife recently arrived in Israel and are living in an immigrant settlement. Our century old friend wasn't willing to be put in an old age home — that was the last thing he had in mind. He intends to find a job at his trade and keep on working. Out of such stuff are nations built!

This is just one of the many thousands of cases being handled by Joint Distribution Committee each year. In the 1960-61 period Malben-JDC helped 47,000 people, 20% more than the previous year. And this with no increase in budget! But the need at Malben is a continuing one. In 1962 Malben will be called upon to assist more than 44,000 persons in need. Malben's flexibility in matters of policy and design has undoubtedly greatly enhanced its contribution to Israel. JDC realizes that its programs must be constantly altered and its emphasis shifted to meet ever changing needs and conditions.

The United Jewish Appeal of Toronto supports JDC-Malben through the United Jewish Relief Agencies in Canada.

BULGARIA TRIES THE CHIEF RABBI

Sofia, Bulgaria, (JCNS). The trial of Dr. Asher Hananel, chief rabbi of Bulgaria begins January 4th, it was announced here on Monday.

Chief Rabbi Hananel was arrested in September for allegedly smuggling currency and having contacted a foreign agent. His arrest came as a great shock. Some prominent Jews tried, without success, to obtain official explanations from police and the Ministry of Interior regarding charges against him.

Some twenty-two months ago Rabbi Hananel visited Israel where there are many Bulgarian Jews who emigrated since 1948.

No details so far have been given on composition of court prosecution and defence.

Commentary • By M. J. Nurenberger

BEFORE IT IS TOO LATE...

Though more than ten years have passed since I visited Algeria, the picture of its Jewish community, now close to 200,000 souls, is still vivid. I remember, as though it were now, two Sabbaths in the two most important Jewish communities: Oran and Algiers. In both cities I had the privilege of talking to the local Jewish leaders. I attended the impressive Sephardic Friday-night services at their beautiful synagogues.

Those were the years when Algeria's Jews had enjoyed the post-war respite—following the liberation from the German yoke and the oppression by Vichy generals.

Algerian Jews consider themselves Frenchmen. And rightly so. They live in a section of North Africa which is still officially part of France. However, the Algerian war has placed Algerian Jews in a very delicate and dangerous position—between the Moslem Nationalists and the French Ultras who refuse to acknowledge the fact that Algeria cannot remain an integral part of France.

The Jews, by virtue of tradition and because of their innate Hebraic sentiment for fairness, naturally sympathize with the anti-Colonialist movement of the Moslems. They have been in Algeria longer than the French, in fact, since Roman times. They are part and parcel of the country. Yet they also share the fear of the Europeans concerning the future. The example of neighboring Morocco is not encouraging so far as the prospects of Algerian Jewry under Moslem rule. The question plaguing Algerian Jews is: what will happen to us? Will the FLN follow the example of the Moroccan Istiqlal and persecute us or will they be like the Tunisian Neo-Destour who tolerate us?

In the meantime, both fighting factions are attacking Jews. In the Jewish quarter of Iran, several Jews were killed last week, presumably by French Ultras. Elsewhere Moslems killed Jews for being pro-French. The fact remains that there are Jews in Algeria on both sides of the fence, which is natural but dangerous to the community. The Jews of Algeria are discovering by their own skins the malaise of being a Jew in a country where civil war is continuous. They are becoming scape goats in the Algerian war.

Of course, those refusing to see the Jewish problem in Algeria will argue that the Jews, as citizens of the country, should remain there. Can they remain? Everyone who is aware of the reality is concerned about the future of Algerian Jewry. M. Jacques Soustelle, a friend of the Jews in the French-Nationalist camp, last week suggested that the French government demand now, before its deal with the FLN, that the Jews, citizens of France since 1870, be recognized as such and given the right accorded to Frenchmen — to leave Algeria in an independent Moslem country. Will the French government agree to this?

De Gaulle himself made such promises at many an occasion. It is up to world Jewry to insist that these rights be accorded to the Jewish population of Algeria — before it is too late.

Brig. Haim Herzog with mother at Memorial Services

HERZOG REPLACED AS INTELLIGENCE HEAD

Jerusalem, (JCNS) - Brigadier Meir Amit has been appointed chief of Israeli army intelligence, effective Monday, January 1st. He will replace Brigadier Haim Herzog, son of the late Chief Rabbi and brother of the Ambassador to Canada. He is leaving after 3 years service for a lecture tour in the U.S. and Asia.

Brigadier Amit was born in Tiberias and was officer commanding central command when in 1958 he was seriously injured in a parachute jumping exercise. He was confined to bed for fifteen months. When he recovered he went to the United States to study administration at Columbia University and returned to Israel a few weeks ago. He is married and the father of three children.

DOCTORS ON HAND

NEW YORK, (JCNS) — Israel has more doctors per inhabitant than any other country in the world. There is one doctor for every 420 persons. Next comes Soviet Russia, where there is a doctor for every 550 inhabitants. At the bottom of the list, the Republic of Niger, where each doctor has to attend to 96,000 patients.

The United Nations body which issued these figures, warned that they might give rise to a mistaken impression, since doctors everywhere tend to be concentrated in cities.

BRITISH JEWRY FACES RELIGIOUS CRISIS BECAUSE OF JEWS' COLLEGE

LONDON, (CJN) — An internal crisis in the affairs of the Jew's College in West London over the appointment of a new principal was disclosed here. It has caused the resignation of the chairman, Mr. Justice Mocatta, and other honorary officials of the college.

The Chief Rabbi, Dr. Israel Brodie, refused to approve the appointment of Dr. Louis Jacobs, a tutor and lecturer at the college, as principal. Dr. Brodie has since left for a three-month tour of Australia. He is the college's ex-officio president.

Dr. Jacobs has now resigned his post and others who have resigned in sympathy with him are Mr. Lawrence Jacobs and Mr. Felix Levy, joint treasurers, and the Rev. Dr. Isaac Levy, the honorary secretary. They, with Mr. Justice Mocatta, all champion the cause of Dr. Jacobs.

Jews' College has been in existence for over 100 years. It is the chief establishment for training Jewish ministers and rabbis in Britain.

A leading member of the Jewish community in London told *The Times* that the future work of the college was in danger as a result of the rift.

QUESTION OF OUTLOOK

"This trouble", he said, "has been brewing for a long time. Dr. Jacobs is a leading Jewish scholar who has written a number of books which apparently do not find favour with some orthodox Jews because, they allege, they detect in them a trace of heresy. In consequence Dr. Jacobs has been refused a position he was promised when he joined the college nearly three years ago as a tutor. There is no real rift in the Anglo-Jewish community, but a number of Jewish scholars who have come to Britain from abroad in recent years now occupy positions of authority. Their outlook is very different from what we regard as the more tolerant Anglo-Jewish outlook, and it would seem that the present crisis has been brought to a head because of the influence which some of these scholars are abie to bring to bear on the Chief Rabbi".

CONGO SYNAGOGUE BOMBED

Johannesburg, (JCNS) — The synagogue in Elisabethville and the home of Rabbi Moshe Levi were bombed when UN troops attacked the residential area of the city last month, according to Jewish refugees who just arrived at Salisbury. The refugees are being cared for by members of both Ashkenazi and Sephardi communities in Salisbury.

LEADERS MEETING IN HAMILTON ON BEHALF OF HOME FOR AGED

From right to left: S. SMURLICK, J. I. OELBAUM, ABE POSLUNS, GEORGE GOLDBLATT, Mr. ROSENBERG, LOUIS A. KURMAN.

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GOVERNOR GENERAL'S NEW YEAR MESSAGE

In his New Year's Message to the Ca-Canadian people, Govenor-General George Vanier urged to take a pause in the bustle of our daily life and seek ways of living the ancient Hebrew precept, "love thy neighbour as thyself".

Offering his greetings in a New Year's message to Canadians, the Governor-General proposed that 10 minutes might be spent each day for reflection or meditation on this theme.

"This creates a spirit of confidence and serenity", the message says.

"Who knows whether this may not be the first step toward the road to friendship among nations?"

We hope the people will hearken to this pertinent — and pragmatic — advice.

JOHN BASSETT TO PARLIAMENT

John Bassett, of the Toronto **Telegram,** will be running for Parliament from Toronto's Spadina riding, which includes Forest Hill Village. Mr. Bassett will be the candidate of the Progressive Conservative Party in a district where people of many minorities live and work. We believe that he will be elected by a vast majority irrelevant of the political persuasion of the voters.

We think so, for very few newspaper publishers in this country have made such a gallant effort, as the publisher of the **Telegram** for a better understanding among Canadians of all ethnic groups and belonging to different religious communities. In every field promoting good will among men, John Bassett has been in the forefront. He has supported the cause of Israel, the cause of new immigrants, the cause of equality and justice for all.

He will certainly make himself heard in Ottawa if elected.

B'NAI B'RITH TO THE RESCUE

It has taken a scaring experience in which two small boys were seriously injured and one had to lie bleeding in a ditch while the other was carried to a neighbouring house to await the ambulance which came from Agincourt 45 minutes later, to shock several North York councillors into the need for adequate ambulance service for the municipality.

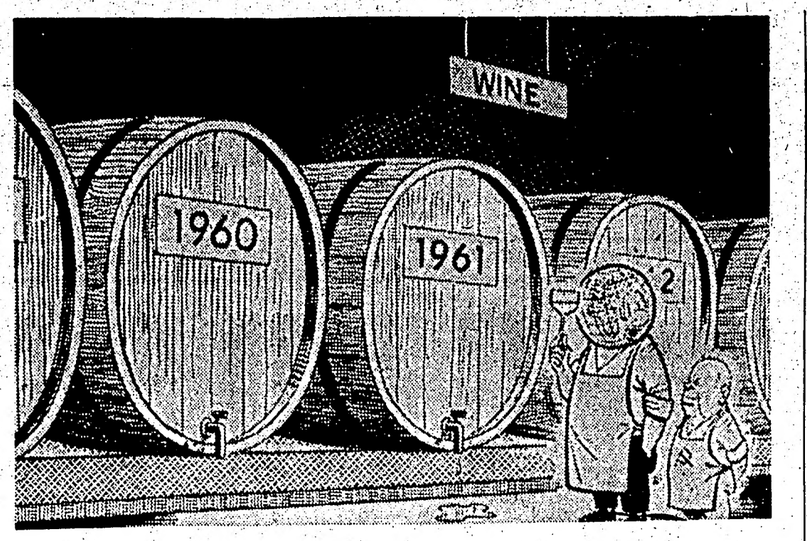
In the meantime, we salute the Don Mills Lodge of B'nai B'rith which forsaw this urgent need long before the municipal council and is donating an ambulance to North York Township. These are truly "Sons of the Covenant", living up to and fulfilling an obligation symbolized by their name.

THE UNREPENTANT MR. ROKEBY THOMAS

Should we deplore the fact that Mr. H. R. Rokeby-Thomas of the Huron Church News still doesn't see what all the fuss was about? He still doesn't understand why his column on the "Jewish Problem", as he calls it, created so much disturbance. The only conclusion he chooses to draw from all the "excitement" it aroused was that the things he drew attention to and complained of must be true or — why the resentment? Another conclusion drawn by the journalistic clergyman is that Jews resent it when these matters are raised and discussed. A casual reading of the Jewish press might be recommended if he wanted evidence of the prevailing Jewish habit of selfcriticism.

In reply to Dr. Harold Johnson, an Anglican layman who, writing in the Huron Church News, berated Mr. Rokeby-Thomas, for complaining about the Jews because of their opposition to religious education in public schools, the clergyman-writer stated: there were many other things he could complain of but reasons of space and "Christian tolerance" prevented him from doing so.

We have no desire at this time to pursue the case of Mr. Rokeby-Thomas. One thing however emerges: the Anglican Church, as a whole, despite the rather equivocal position of the Bishop of Huron, has repudiated any identification with Mr. Rokeby-Thomas' views. Coming, as his outburst, did just before resolution against Antisemitism passed at the New Delhi World Conference of Churches, Mr. Rokeby-Thomas' isolation has only been underscored.



"The '61 has already gone sour! Can't you keep your hands away from it?"— Vau, Tarental Press

For Second Successive Year

Toronto Israel Bonds Drive Reaches Million and A half

The Toronto Israel Bond Campaign produced the cash figure of $1.5 million by the end of 1961, for the first time since the inception of the program in Canada.

As The Canadian Jewish News went to press, it was announced that this year's cash figure, at the end of 1961, is within a few thousand dollars of the million and a half record. By the time of the **Ambassador's Ball** on January 24th, traditionally the culmination of the annual campaign, it is anticipated that the Toronto Jewish community will attain the goal of $2 million, maintaining its leadership on the continent for per capita purchase of State of Israel Bonds.

Dr. Joseph J. Schwartz, Vice President of the World Israel Bond Organization left last week for Israel to discuss its increased economic development needs with government figures. The subject of his talks in Israel will be the program of enlarging the flow of investment capital in the coming year through the Israel Bond Campaign, which has already provided more than $525,000,000 for economic expansion during the past ten years.

Prior to his departure, Dr. Schwartz declared that he would report to the leaders in Israel that the year 1961 witnessed an upward curve of response to the Israel Bond drive.

"There is also a growing awarene of the vital importance of Israel's pioneering effort to tame the wilderness of the Negev and to harness its natural resources for further advances in the courtry's industrialization and settlement", Dr. Schwartz said.

Canadian Panorama

BY MORDECAI HIRSHENSON

MOSLEY NO ANTISEMITE SAYS MOSLEY

Canadians recently had the dubious treat of seeing Sir Oswald Mosley interviewed on CBC-TV by Canada's Lister Sinclair (as distinguished from Gordon Sinclair).

Sir Oswald, now grey but unrepentant, appeared almost genuinely distressed when Sinclair made the unkind suggestion that Mosleyism was anti-Semitic to the point of actually doing damage to Jews. Sinclair asked him about the Fascist practice of "roughing up" Jews at their rallies. Mosley's reply was, he "didn't know about that" — he had always stood, of course against any kind or racial persecution."

Sinclair, who attended school in England, said he recalled some boys at his school — rather large ones — who wore the Mosleyite uniform. They made a practice of attacking and bullying Jewish schoolboys. Mosley again gave a "tut-tut" reply, indicating that, of course, "boys will be boys". After all, at that age they are inclined to behave so, and it had nothing to do with his brand of fascism, which was squarely "against racial persecution."

He never had any quarrel with the Jews. He merely "opposed the action of many influential Jews who wanted to drag Britain into a war with Germany" for which, he added in true sportsmanlike fashion, he really couldn't blame them. After all, Hitler was giving them quite "a bad time" in Germany.

His only reason for adopting the blackshirt was, he explained, because he was constantly heckled and attacked by Communists and other opponents at his rallies and meetings. So that his followers could recognize and distinguish each other from their foes (when it came to exchanging blows, they assumed the blackshirt identity.

PORT ARTHUR'S NEW MAYOR

Saul Laskin, Lakehead's retail merchant, is mayor of Port Arthur. He ballotted more than 11,000 at the recent elections. He topped the polls several years ago when he first ran as councillor.

A native of the Lakehead, Laskin has relatives in Toronto. (His older brother is the well known professor of law, Bora Laskin). No stranger to Jewish life, he is a leader of the Jewish communities of the twin cities of Fort William and Port Arthur.

IN MEMORIAM

JOHN BLUMBERG OF WINNIPEG

John Blumberg, who died recently in Winnipeg at the age of 65, was one of a vanishing tribe. Belonging to the working class he was an English Jew of strong trade-unionist and socialist principles.

The growing middle-class orientation of Anglo-Jewry (and its Canadian counterpart) has diminished the number of such types represented by the late A. A. Heaps, Canadian MP, and the former British cabinet minister, Emanuel Shinwell.

Blumberg, who held civic office in Winnipeg for more than forty years, once (1933) — as acting mayor — refused to read the riot act to a group of demonstrating unemployed. Thus he felt proud having avoided riot and bloodshed.

● **Jack Steinhart,** whose death occurred recently, was for many years (in the 1930's and 40's) executive director of the Toronto Hebrew Free Loan Association (G'milath Chasodim).

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BOOKS & MEN — By DR. HILLEL SEIDMANN

REMARKABLE HISTORY OF "THE PEOPLE OF TORAH"

AM HATORAH (The People of the Torah) by Rabbi Benjamin W. Hendles, New York 1961 (456 pp. and xxiii)

If a historian had merely two words to define the aim, activities and essence of the Agudat Israel, they would be the title of Rabbi Benjamin Wolf Hendles' book, "Am Hatorah" (The People of the Torah). These words define the soul of the Jewish people, its character, its history, its destiny.

The program of the Aguda, as Rabbi Hendles stresses, was to restore the consciousness of this destiny to the Jewish people. This was accomplished despite brazen attempts to change it fundamentally.

Reading this book, we feel the pulse of the buzzing life of the new Aguda movement, possessed with an ancient goal. The movement had just emerged from chaos, was not yet firmly established, and already was misunderstood not only by opponents but by adherents as well.

Distant Sounds From A Silent World.

At first we hear a distant sound, barely audible. But, ceaselessly and constantly, the sound becomes stronger and clearer. Finally there is a distinctive call from a glorious past, cruelly destroyed, to the yet unknown, envisioned future.

THE SERVICE OF A GREAT MISSION

Rabbi Hendles relates the dramatic story of the struggle of Orthodox Jewry for independence and recognition. He tells this not only as a keen eyewitness from whom no detail escapes but also as an active participant whose share in accomplishing the aim of the Aguda Israel was in no sense negligible.

THE LEADERSHIP OF THE GEDOLE HATORAH

Rabbi Hendles emphasizes the leadership of the great Torah, restored by way of the press, elections, meetings, rallies, and other means of propaganda.

This is power of a different kind: the power of, and above the souls; the domination of, and above minds.

However, as Rabbi Hendles is unconditionally true to the great in Torah, to the Gedole Hatora, in contrast he demonstrates an independence of mind and judgement which never yields to pressures of circumstances.

His analytical mind examines carefully the problems upon their merits and complexities before taking a stand. But, once convinced, he never lacks the courage of his convictions.

CHALLENGING AND INSPIRING

"Am Hatorah" is not only descriptive, but also inspiring. The Rabbi's indignation — when sacred values are debased — his aggressiveness — when the Torah was undermined — rings with the sound of true concern.

The fascinating accounts of battles for the faith and the faithful are morally uplifting in these drab days of compromises and stagnation, of callous routine and hollow slogans.

Through these Articles, ultimate goals are evaluated, defined and brought up to date; names half forgotten are revived and restored to their full glory.

SERMON OF THE WEEK

HARDENING THE HEART

And I will harden Pharaoh's heart. (Exodus vii 3).

The theological difficulty which most of us feel instinctively in this statement presented itself to the ancients also. Why did not God settle the matter at one stroke? Why was it necessary to bring all of the plagues on Egypt instead of ordering it so that Pharaoh would let the Israelites go free immediately after the first plague? And - more particularly - if it was God Himself who kept "hardening Pharaoh's heaart" so tht he would not let the people go, how could he be held guilty of the sin? Was he not acting under a higher - a divine - compulsion? All the classic Jewish commentators felt the problem and posed the question. Wherein lay Pharaoh's sin? If God controlled and played with Pharaoh's heart to such an extent, how could He hold him responsible for his seeming disobedience and obstinacy?

But of course, Pharaoh was not simply a plaything of destiny. Such a fatalistic attitude is the very negation of the Jewish view of life. He is not to be seen as a mere victim of circumstances, the tool, without a will of his own, in the hands of a higher power. As Ibn Ezra points out, God has endowed man with a will and intelligence which imply a responsibility to choose the path of rightness. Our text merely tells us that God knew in advance how Pharaoh would react and that He warned Moses beforehand not to expect immediate success. "And I know that the king of Egypt will not let you go, except by a mighty hand. From the moment Pharaoh first declared, "I know not the Lord, and moreover I will not let Israel go," he was set on the road to doom; and each time he repeated his refusal his heart was hardened more and more.

Sin, say the rabbis, is, in the beginning, like a spider's web which can be removed by a little touch; but in the end it becomes as stout as a cable which cannot be broken. Or, using another figure of speech, sin, they say, enters first as a passing traveller; later as an invited and welcome quest; finally as a complete master. So it was really Pharaoh who hardened his own heart and made it callous by following a way of life based on cruelty and indifference.

It is a persistent failing of man to try to transfer to others the responsibility of his own wrong-doings. "Only carrying out orders" - how often did we hear this plea at the Nuremberg and the Eichmann trials. Made in the image of God, man is forbidden to act as if he were a conscience-less tool, a dumb-machine manipulated by the intelligence of another.

Even more serious and tragic is the attitude which seeks to transfer to God the blame for all the ills of this world. The very existence of a God of righteousness and justice is frequently questioned, after the human tragedy of the Nazi period and the Second World War. How could God have allowed such things to happen? The answer is that it was not God who drove men and nations to those excesses of barbarity. It was the result of men hardening their hearts against what they well knew to be the right course; the consequence of the willful distortion of God's law.

Had Pharaoh's heart not been hardened, say the commentators, he would have let Israel go right after the first plague, but that would have been only because of his fear and his inability to stand more punishment. He would have seen it only as an unconditional surrender to superior might. But it would not have implied a change of heart, a new humility, a recognition and an awareness of the sovereignty of God and a self-surrender to Him. To make even the beginnings of such an impression, all ten plagues were needed. "And the Egyptians shall know that I am the Lord, when I have got Me honour upon Pharaoh, upon his chariots and upon his horsement". Perhaps mankind's plagues are likewise to be seen as the effective means leading to that same realization?

THE JEWS OF ANCIENT ROME

By ARNANDO MOMIGLIANO

The earliest piece of evidence about Jews in Rome is that they were expelled from the city in 139 B.C.E. We do not even know whether the Jews concerned were permanent residents or occasional visitors. We do know, however, that they were making propaganda for their own faith. Eighty years later, in 59 B.C.E., there were enough Jews in Rome to make it possible for Cicero to present or misrepresent them as a political pressure group in his Pro Flacco.

While the times of Caesar and Augustus were clearly a period o fconsolidation for the Jewish community, two partial expulsions followed under Tiberius and Claudius. Josephus, Ant. Jud. xviii, 84, gives us the figure of 4,000 Jews drafted into the army from the Roman community and sent to Sardinia by Tiberius. If the figure were reliable it would help us to form some idea of the number of Jews who were then in Rome. Unfortunately, the parallel passage of Tacitus Annales ii, 85, shows that the figure of 4,000 included also the devotees of Isis whom Tiberius rounded up in the same drive against foreign cults. From C.E. 49 to C.E. 1943 Rome was one of the safest places of the world for Jews to be in, though it would be too much to say that they felt invariably comfortable in the city. In 1943-44, as is well known, one-fifth of the Roman Jews were killed, and the whole life of the Jewish community was disrupted for the first time.

Nineteen hundred years of fairly undisturbed residence create a formidable presumption of historical continuity in social structure, communal institutions, liturgy, and language. But, alas, concrete evidence for all these points is so far lacking. Some medieval Jewish families claimed to go back to the times of Titus, and more recently the aristocratic Scola-Tempio boasted continuity from C.E. 70. There is in Kimchi the famous story of a Torah scroll brought to Rome by Titus and preserved in the synagogue "of Severus" (not mentioned elsewhere). All this is very dubious. The fact is that we know much about the Jews of ancient Rome, but we have not, or not yet, found the evidence which would enable us to answer the most interesting questions about them. Three catacombs (Monteverde Nuovo, Vigna Randanini on the Via Appia and Villa Torlonia in Via Nomentana) have provided the majority of the inscriptions, and two of these catacombs (via Appia, via Nomentana) are still available for study. The inscriptions tell us a great deal about the language (Greek and Latin, very little Hebrew or Aramaic) of the Jews of ancient Rome and provide some essential information about the organisation of their synagogues. But there is almost nothing about their professions and their social standing.

What we learn about their beliefs does not normally go beyond platitudes about "observance of the Law and fear of God." Only the so-called Regina epitaph — which states at length a faith in eternal life — and the grim reminder from Leo, surnamed Leontius — "My friends, I await you here" — break the monotony. In additon there are a few inscriptions of proselytes. The Jewish or non-Jewish symbolism of the surviving paintings in the catacombs is not of a kind to create serious problems for the interpreter, though of course he who looks for a mystery will always find one.

References to Roman Jews in pagan literature are comparatively few and not illuminating. Negatively it is interesting to see how ignorant an educated Roman could manage to remain about his Jewish neighbours. Augustus and his contemporary, Trogus Pompeius, believed that Jews fast on Sabbath. Nobody has ever been able to explan what Horace meant when he alluded to the "thirtieth Sabbath" (Sat. I ix. 69). Tacitus who took some trouble to know what the Germans were like, did not consider it worth questioning any Jews about their history or rituals. Indeed, it is not easy, with the sources we have, to form a picture of the Jewish community of Rome during the centuries of the Roman Empire. Philo's works and the papyri make the Jews of Alexandria comparatively more real: we know at least what one of them thought, and we have some idea of how they lived and behaved.

Contributions to the study of the Jews of ancient Rome were fairly frequent in the nineteenth century and culminated in the two works by A. Berliner (1893) and by H. Vogelstein-P. Rieger (1896), both prizewinners of a competition set up by the Moriz Rapoportstiftung. In our century, the discovery of the Villa Torlonia catacomb, exemplarily studied by H. Beyer and H. Lietzman and later the publication of the Corpus Inscriptionum Ivadaicarum by Father Frey (1936; 1952), kept awake the interest in the subject, but no substantial general study has appeared until now.

Professor H. J. Leon, of the University of Texas, has been known for almost forty years to be working on the Jewish inscriptions of Rome. He has produced many important articles, one of which goes as far back as 1924, and his unpublished Harvard dissertation, "De Ivdae orum antiquorum sepulcretis Romae repertis," dates from 1927. He has now published the general book (The Jews of Ancient Rome) and as we expected it is a masterly survey of the subject of which he has a unique knowledge. Inscriptions being his special field of study, he appends the most important ones in an improved text and with an exact translation. On the basis of the inscriptions he defines the character of the communal organisation of the Jews and their way of life. His conclusions are invariably cautions and sound. I think he is correct in assuming that there was no central organisation of the Jews in Rome. His interpretation of the 15 names of synagogues (four of which are doubtful) commands respect, if not always assent in such a controversial matter. He makes out an interesting case for the users of the Via Appia catacomb being the most Romanised in language an manners.

If anything, the book errs on the side of caution where it deals with more general issues. There is hardly any attempt to assess the importance of the Jewish group in relation to the Roman policies or to the development of Christianity. This is partly connected with the fact that Professor Leon exploits the literary evidence less thoroughly than the epigraphical. The conflict of evidence, mentioned above, between Tacitus and Josephus about the soldiers sent to Sardinia is not discussed. There is no mention of the circumstance that, when Philo came to Rome as an ambassador, the rival envoy on behalf of the Alexandrians was Apion, the author of the Egyptian History disliked so much by Josephus. Nor is it stated that in the following embassy one of the Alexandrian representative was another historian, Chaeremon, a teacher of the future emperor, Nero. Apion and Chaeremon, not to speak of the mysterious and powerful Balbillus, who accompanied Chaeremon, obviously helped to shape Roman upper-class opinion about the Jews: Tacitus found his sources on the Jews in those circles.

No notice is taken of the so-called Ambrosiaster, who wrote in Rome some of the most influential pages of anti-Jewish polemics. As is well known, many authoritative scholars identify Ambrosiaster with Isaac, the Jewish convert to Christianity who had proved to be troublesome in ecclesiastical circles about 372. The question of the contribution of the Italian (Roman) Jews to the Latin translations of the Bible — which was raised by U. Cassuto and is noticed by Baron, "A Social and Reli-

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ONLY IN AMERICA

By HARRY GOLDEN

WHATEVER HAPPENED TO?

Adolph Eichmann was only one member of a fellowship that has had its central headquarters in a South American country lo these many years.

I admit that the last time there was any direct communication with this group was on the very day of Eichmann's capture by Israeli commandos. But an eye witness report of that day gives clear evidence of the pattern of their daily life.

Each morning the group assembled around a table at a sidewalk cafe in a well-known South American city on the seacoast. They exchanged laconic greetings and got right down to the business of the day which consists of drink and refreshment. Along toward twilight each uttered a formal word of departure and wandered to his room — a little room, obscure and cheerless in that otherwise festive metropolis.

Small in number and advanced in years, these men and women rarely speak to each other. Their days, with a few exceptions, are spent in silence; they have nothing to say. In truth, they possess but one thing in common. They have all run away.

They are the exiled, the vanished, the missing persons of the earth. One and all, they have disappeared from the Grand Concourse of Life (in one case, from the Grand Concourse of the Bronx). Each one had his reasons, which he keeps buried in his heart. Each one was sought for a while, then mourned, and finally, desperately, forgotten.

Or almost forgotten. Now and again the newspapers and popular magazines exhume one of the membership. Speculation on Ambrose Bierce, for example, has never died. In recent years the hacks have even taken to concoction fictional accounts of the events following his disappearance. I have seen one story in which Bierce is eaten by Mexican cannibals; in another he finds peace in some undesignated Shangri-La. Such explanations are nonsense, as their general tone and **locus** of publication indicate. Ambrose Bierce is at a sidewalk cafe in Argentina. On that very day (Eichmann's capture) Bierce celebrated his 118th birthday.

Judge Crater poured for the occasion.

Charlie Ross supplied music.

Richard Halliburton and Dorothy Arnold held hands under the table.

Frogman Crabbe made a little speech through his underwater mask.

Adolf Eichmann was called away.

Throughout a fellow muttered unintelligibly. He was a strange, nervous little man with a hauntingly familiar face. No, it couldn't be. **He** had a moustache.

During the party they seemed a close, harmonious group. Happy, too, in their way. Only one blot on the general contentment; a very prominent missing person was missing from that cafe.

Juan Peron couldn't attend.

THE SABBATH

The Supreme Court of the United States has ruled that Sunday Blue laws are not unconstitutional and that states may continue to enforce such blue laws as are on their statute books.

In effect, this means many states will enjoin Orthodox Jews, Seventh Day Adventists, and a few other groups who close their shops on Saturday, from selling and engaging in commerce on Sunday. It also means that states will force discount houses to close their doors one day a week.

To many Jews the ruling may seen unfair, but in a way we should glory in the Sumpreme Court's decision for it has established the Sabbath as a secular institution. There are many such in our society.

Many of our institutions of higher learning in America started as religious seminaries and over the years have evolved into nonsectarian schools. Princeton, which was Presbyterian, does not exclude from its student body Episcopalians, Jews, or Roman Catholics. In my city, Charlotte, N.C., one of the finest schools for women in the South, Queens College, is wholly supported and financed by funds from the Presbyterian Church but its students are representative of the religious makeup of the whole South. Brandeis College, a Jewish institution, has both Protestant and Catholic chapels on the campus.

Nothing makes me prouder as a Jew than the knowledge that we introduced the Sabbath to Western man, and now it has its certification by the Supreme Court of the United States.

The Sabbath is one of the greatest ideas to come from the human mind. Whether it is Saturday for us Jews or Sunday for the Christians, let us never forget that the idea of the Sabbath is wholly Jewish. It was the first successful attempt to confer dignity upon the individual no matter what his status. For the Sabbath started not only as a day of sancitfication but a day of rest and the workingman and the merchant were enjoined by our religion to change their clothes so that all could partake equally of the joy of the day.

The Roman philosopher Seneca called the Jews a "most outrageous nation", because he said they lost a seventh part of their life in inactivity, meaning they observed the Sabbath. Eventually the Jewish Sabbath became the foundation of the entire Judaic-Christian civilization.

CHARITY IN NORTH AMERICA

America is a land of societies, fraternal orders, lonely hearts clubs, and subscribers to the "Sporting News". Each has a complete social structure and yet though all seem light years away from each other, all are very American.

Take the charity ball which is sponsored by one of the societies drawn partially from the 400, partially from the social climbers; and partially from the press agents, public relations directors and journeymen publicists.

They sponsor a benefit ball which will aid a charity and the initial cost is $70,000 and the profit $200,000 and the charity is happy, the hotel is happy, the musicians are happy, and the ladies and gentlemen who dance away the evening are happy.

There is an old French expression: "If the poor are to eat, the rich must dance". The benefit ball with its attendant fashion show, the wines donated by a winery and perfumes by a cosmetic house differ from the charity balls that used to take place on the Lower East Side only in the sense that if the very poor were to eat, the poor must dance.

If I am not mistaken, fund raising is one of the major occupations and businesses of the United States. It is one of the American characteristics some of our critics conveniently forget to make their criticism make sense. But that we are a people always congregating and agitating for our favorite charities is never far out of anyone's mind.

In fact, when the author Sinclair Lewis won the Nobel Prize for Literature in 1930 which paid a stipend of $48,000, he was asked by some newspaper men what he would do with the money.

Lewis replied he was going to use the money to help support a young writer and his family, meaning, of course, himself, but all of Europe immediately praised him thinking he meant to support some other young writer because this would be a typical American behavior pattern.

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TORONTO U. J. A. LEADERSHIP TO MEET GREAT NEW CHALLENGE

KEY POSITIONS ARE FILLED

"The 1962 United Jewish Appeal Campaign is taking on the 'do-it-now' personality of the outstanding leaders who have been appointed to key positions," said Campaign Chairman Noel Zeldin in announcing further appointments.

"The Advance Gifts Division has scheduled a planning meeting for this weekend to give the Campaign its first big push in the new year."

See New Challenge

The Chairman expressed full confidence that Israel's unforseen rise in immigration will come as a great opportunity for the entire community to help the State reach a new stage of development. The expected immigration of 30,000 this year unexpectedly rose to over 60,000 and 1962 could see a repeat of the crises of 1948.

New Leaders Appointed

Morley J. Pape and Isadore B. Weinstein have been apointed as co-chairman of the Mercantile Division; Fred Bookman, who was an outstanding chairman last year, has again been appointed as Chairman of the Insurance Group; Philip Kornblum, another veteran of past UJA campaigns, will take responsibility for the Furniture Group, assisted by Associate Chairmen Maurice Ceresne, Joseph Frieberg, Stanley Golvin, Donald Jubas, Murray Taube and Harvey Weiner.

Monty Levitt and Harry Wiener, Associate Chairmen of the Mercantile Division, have been assigned specific responsibility for the Furniture Group.

Further announcements of leadership in the Furniture Group will be made soon.

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A CJN PROFILE

LEVI ESHKOL

VISITOR TO NORTH AMERICA: A STATESMAN

Levi Eshkol a well built, handsome man of 67, is a dynamic, bubbling personality, with a ready wit and a good sense of humour. He is at his best face-to-face, speaking rapidly in a deep bass. His skilful negotiations have resulted in the formation of Israel's new Government. It seems to be an Israeli custom for key-people to burn the candle at both ends. Eshkol conforms to this pattern. He can begin meetings at his home at seven, get to the office at eight, conduct consultations with subordinates or other Ministers, negotiate with visiting dignitaries, receive a delegation of Appeal or Israel Bond leaders, and return home at seven at night to launch another series of meetings lasting till midnight.

His memory is exceptional. Twice recently he had an assistant check a figure presented to him, twice he rejected the figure as wrong. On the third check, it was clear that the Minister was right, and that the assistant had miscalculated.

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Eshkol's forthrightness stems from his East European Chassidic background. Born in Kiev Province to a well-to-do family, he received a classical education at a Russian high school, but studied at a traditional school as well. His bouncing optimism, crossed with Chassidism, comes to the fore when he is alone and quite unconsciously hums a lively **niggun**. He delights in travelling, at a speed which is the lesser part of valour, in his modest, chauffeur-driven Chevrolet, gazing out at the burgeoning green landscape for signs of progress and development.

He takes pride in presenting himself as a man of the soil. He arrived in Israel towards the end of the Second Aliya, just before the First World War. Met by comrades at Jaffa, the youthful Levi Shkolnick walked the dozen or so miles to Kfar Melal, near Kfar Saba, always afraid of showing the weariness he felt to the "veteran" chalutzim who had received him. He is one of the founders of Deganya Bet and Kiryat Anavim in the Jerusalem hills. During the First World War he served in the Jewish Legion, under Captain James de Rothschild. His stocky build still reflects the farm years, and this, combined with his agrarian responsibility, in the Jewish Agency, lead one major Jewish organisation in its intra-mural correspondence, to assign to him the code-name "farmer".

His leadership and drive won recognition, and he served for years in the Settlement Department of the Histadrut's Agricultural Centre. Then be founded and directed the Mekorot Water Company. Before the Second World War he was sent to Nazi Germany to deal with the transfer of Jewish property, and on his return was offered a key post — at that time the second position in the Histadrut — Secretary of the Tel Aviv Labour Council. Israel's War of Independence saw him at Ben-Gurion's right hand as Director-General of the Ministry of Defence. He

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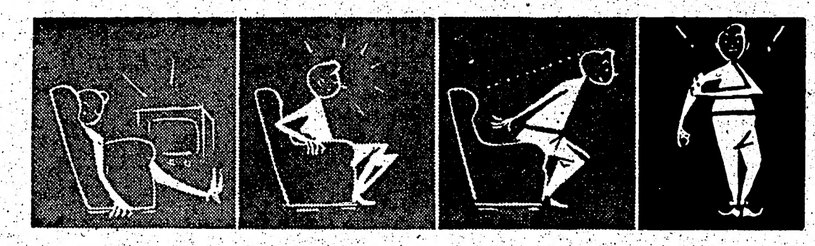
LEVI ESHKOL

NEW YEAR... TIME TO TAKE ACTION



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WORLD-WIDE RESCUE AND ASSISTANCE operations of the Joint Distribution Committee were outlined to a meeting in Toronto last week of the Regional Joint Fund-Raising Committee of Canadian Jewish Congress and Zionist Organization of Canada, by Herbert Katzki (centre) assistant director-general of JDC for Overseas Operations, during a visit to the city. Shown with Mr. Katzki are, from left: Bernard Cooperman President of B'Nai Israel Congregation St. Catharines; J. Irving Oelbaum, national vice-president of Congress; Hart D. Wintrob, co-chairman of the Regional Fund-Raising Committee; Julius Hayman, president Z.O.C. Central Division. Canadian Jewish community support for J.D.C.'s far-flung activities is channelled through United Jewish Relief Agencies of Canadian Jewish Congress.

SYNAGOGUE NEWS

BUSY MONTH FOR SHAAREI TEFILLAH

• The **Brotherhood Breakfast** on January 14th at **Shaarei Tefillah, Downsview,** will provide a stimulating program. **Mr. Mark Gayn** will be guest speaker. He will discuss "Flux in The Red World".

• On January 16th, **Brotherhood** will hold a Stag Night.

• A preview of a mystery movie will be shown onJanuary 21st.

• **Shaarei Tefillah's Week-End to Remember,** January 26th through 28th, will present a cultural program. **Dr. Samon R. Weiss,** executive vice-president of the Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations of America, will be guest.

JOSEPH KERZNER

BEN WORTSMAN

EITZ CHAIM SCHOOLS ANNUAL DINNER

Mr. Ben Wortsman, Eitz Chaim Schools Campaign Chairman, announced that the Chairman of the Schools Annual Dinner, taking place on Sunday, January 14, 1962, 6 p.m., will be the prominent, young communal leader **Mr. Joseph Kerzner.**

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BETH TZEDEC

Beth Tzedec Sabbath services (rabbi: **Dr. Stuart E. Rosenberg**) for January 5th 6th are as follows: candle lighting, 4:46 p.m., services in Chapel, 4.45 p.m. On Sabbath morning (Rosh-Hodesh Shevat), services at 9:00 a.m.; Minha and Shalosh Seudoth, 4:00 p.m.; Youth Congregation at 9:30 a.m.; Junior Congregation, 10:45 a.m.; Sabbath Story Hour, 11:00 a.m.

HOLY BLOSSOM

The Holy Blossom Temple Breakfast, to be held on Sunday, January 7th, at 10:00 a.m. will round out the first week in 1962 with an interesting Israeli Film Festival.

On Tuesday, January 9th, at 5:30 p.m., the **Holy Blossom Sisterhood's** meeting will take place in the form of a musical with **Ben Steinbers,** grandmothers, mothers and daughters will be represented. After services in the Sanctuary, participation of the Temple Singers and Choir and presentation of amusical with **Ben Steinberg** and **Gordon Kushner,** the meeting will terminate with a dinner. Conveners are **Mrs. Stan Freeman** and **Mrs. Ira Kaplan.**

BETH EMETH THEATRE GROUP

On Saturday evening, January 27th, in Brotherhood Hall, the Beth Emeth Theatre Group Downsview, will present "Spouse Specific". Hors d' oeuvres will be served at 8:30 p.m., followed by the show at 9:30. **Mrs. Mildred Green** is handling reservations.

HUMAN RELATIONS

Possessive Father

DR. ROSE N. FRANZBLAU

QUESTION: My daughter, 21 who has always had a wonderful relationship with me, her father, has changed considerably toward me since her last engagement. She has been engaged twice before, and broken them. This one will last. They will be married in December.

She is rude, critical and impatient with me. I can't understand this change. Her attitude toward her mother has changed, but for the better. They went through a bad period when they were constantly fighting or criticizing each other and I always had to step in and stop them. Now they have a closeness and a better relationship than they have ever had.

My daughter doesn't make a move in her plans for the wedding without her mother. She takes her suggestions about everything. She takes my money, but not my advice.

ANSWER: A girl who finds it hard to break away from her father may break her engagement instead. The desire to have a man of her own is superceded by the desire to hold the first man in her life. In the boys they choose and the rapidity with which they become engaged and then break up, such girls show the stages of ending the childhood father-daughter relationship that they are going through. Finally, they complete the process and the "one and only" of their choice moves into his proper place.

Sometimes a father will play his wife and daughter against each other for their attention and affection.

Similarly, a daughter who cannot let go of her father, or whose father will not let go of her, may play a young man off against her father. When she finally gets the father's attention, advice or other gifts, the young man has served his purpose in making her appear desirable as a woman, and is given up.

Parents who have not resisted their daughter's fantasy of possessing her father in childhood will participate again in its reenactment in adulthood. The father will play up to his daughter and treat her like a possible girl friend.

Such a father will rationalize his behavior by saying that this treatment makes his daughter feel more confident and attractive when with young men.

The mother in such cases may act like the hurt girl friend who is being neglected for a rival.

When the girl finds a young man who is right for her and with whom she can have a good relationship, her relationship with her parents begins to improve surely and progressively.

Every relationship is really a two-way process. When one person is constantly rude, critical or impatient with another, it is sometimes because the other evokes this behavior by his own actions and attitudes.

Perhaps the change that you can't stand is the change that has come about in the relationship of the two women in the family, who no longer fight with each other. One of the roles from which you evidently derived a great deal of satisfaction, that of peacemaker and mediator, has been taken away from you.

It should be a source of great happiness and contentment for you — and when you stop to think about it, it undoubtedly is — that your daughter is finally identifying with her mother and striving to be a woman, like her mother, in every way. This is quite consistent with fighting for her own individuality. It is also quite natural that a girl should turn to her mother for suggestions and advice about wedding preparations, clothing and all kinds of plans that a woman knows more about than a man.

The good father-daughter relationship that you once had will again become as good as it was before when you accept her fiance fully.

Drinking Stepfather

QUESTION: I am a girl, 20, and take evening courses at a city college.

When my father died some years ago, my mother married a man 12 years younger than she. At first he seemed to be a real gentleman. But after they were married it tuned out that he was a drinker and that he spent most of his money on liquor. After a while my mother started the same kind of drinking.

He is violent to us when he is drunk. My mother always takes his side against me. Many times he loses a day's pay because of drinking.

After he hit me for the second time, I packed up and left, only to find he had a deadly sickness. When he went to the hospital I moved back with my mother. She apparently only wants me home so I'll pay board.

Now my stepfather is back and cured and has started his old way of life again. I would like to leave, but my mother has no backbone, so I feel I must stay. But must I live in constant terror of his next move? Must I stand by as my mother becomes more and more like him?

ANSWER: Where one of a pair is an open drinker, it often happens that the other is, in many ways, a silent partner. By repeatedly forgiving the waywardness of her husband, the wife gives her drinking mate permission to drink again. After each drinking episode, he becomes sober and returns to her for reprimands first and for loving acceptance afterwards.

While a couple may fight over drinking, as long as they fight and make up again, the relationship will usually last, although it may not be a healthy one or good for either of them.

Having married a man quite a bit younger than herself, your mother may have many fears about her security. When she behaves as he does, she feels closer to him emotionally and also chronologically, and she becomes a participant in the flow of his life-stream.

It also cannot be overlooked that in having her daughter take on the role of mother to her, she feels younger again.

But, even more important, you should become aware of your own motivations and discover the reasons why you wish to live under such undesirable conditions. It may make you feel important to be of such great help to your mother, and to be able to repay her for the kindness and love she gave you in the past.

Whatever illness your mother's husband had, he is evidently now strong enough physically to go back to work, even though he is still weak enough emotionally to give in to his wishes.

What you think of as standing by them may really be standing in their way. They will never face up to reality and do something about it if they get support from you.

There may be relatives with whom you can live. Since you are able to pay your own way, it should be easier to make such an arrangement. Otherwise, the family agency of your religious group could recommend residences for women in which a girl like yourself, who is working and studying, could find well-run, well-taken-care-of surroundings in which to live.

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Dream Come True

Harry: "Have any of your childhood dreams been realized?"

Larry: "One of them. When my mother used to comb my hair I always used to wish I didn't have any."

SMART LAD

Teacher: "Where is the capital of the United States?"
Pupil: "All over Europe!"

INFLATION

A bum asked for 20 cents for a cup of coffee. The man he accosted said, "I thought coffee was only a dime."
"Yeah, but I've got a date," said the bum.

SOME CHANGE

Man (to panhandler): "Why don't you go to the Settlement House and get a free meal?"
Panhandler: "Gee whiz, don't you ever feel like eating out?"

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By Dr. Stanley Rabinowitz

Is It Love and Marriage or Marriage and Love?

A matron once asked Rabbi Jose ben Halafta: "What has your God been doing since He finished making the World?"

"He has been matching couples in marriage," was the reply, "the daughter of so and so for so and so; and so and so's son for so and so."

The lady declared that she could do as much as that herself; nothing was easier than to couple any number of slaves with as many slave-girls.

"You may think it easy," said Rabbi Jose, "but it is as difficult for God as dividing the Red Sea."

The matron accordingly tried the experiment with a thousand males and as many female slaves, setting them in rows and bidding this man take this woman, etc. The next morning they came to her, one with a broken head, another with gouged-out eyes, a third with a broken leg; one man saying: "I don't want her," and a girl saying: "I don't want him."

Thus was the matron constrained to say that the mating of man and woman was a task not unworthy of the intelligence of God.

—MIDRASH: BERESHITH RABBAH

In commenting on the Biblical verse, "And Isaac brought Rebecca into his mother's tent and took Rebecca and she became his wife and he loved her, "Rabi Samson Raphael Hirsch suggested that from the order of the verbs, we might conclude that Isaac's love for Rebecca came after his marriage to her. In modern life we would place "he loved her" first and write "Isaac loved Rebecca and he took her and she became his wife." But however important it is that love shall precede marriage, it is far more important that it shall continue after marriage. The modern attitude lays all the stress on the romance before marriage. The older Jewish view emphasizes the lifelong devotion and the affection that follows after marriage.

Customs pertaining to marriage, love and courtship have changed from century to century, and from country to country. The commonly-accepted pattern in our time and in our culture allows a great deal of freedom in selecting a date and in selecting a mate. As has been noted, it wasn't always that way; nor is it that way in other countries of the world today. In our culture, the usual procedure is that first we fall in love, then we get married. Not so long ago, and even today in Asiatic cultures, people first got married and then they presumably fall in love. In many cultures, marriages are still arranged by parents who may even solicit the cooperation of marriage brokers. Where this is the accepted practice today, young people in those countries regard our custom as unduly permissive and almost shameless.

We tend to look down with horrified superiority on the mating patterns of Asiatics where marriages are arranged by parents who may not even consult the people concerned and who may even make marriage deals for material profit. On the other hand, they think our way is deficient. The Asiatics are able to defend with legitimate conviction many aspects of their marriage practices.

In rejecting the American system of love and marriage, a child of the Orient told an investigator she preferred to have her parents choose a husband for her. "For," she said, "how can we judge the character of a boy that I meet? We are young and inexperienced; our parents are older and wiser. They aren't as easily deceived as we would be. I would rather have my parents choose for me. I can easily make a mistake if I had to select him myself. Besides," she said, "the American system puts the girl in a very humiliating position because she must make every effort to look pretty and call attention to herself and attract a boy to make sure she will get married, and if she doesn't want to do do that, or if she feels it is undignified, wouldn't that mean that she might not get a husband? It makes getting married a competition in which the girls fight each other for the boys and it encourages a girl to pretend she is better than she really is. She has to make a good impression to get the boy, then she has to go on making a good impression to get him to marry her. In our system, we girls don't have to worry at all. We know we'll get married. When we are old enough our parents find a suitable boy and everything is arranged. When our parents are looking for a husband for us they don't have to wait until some boy takes it into his head to ask for us, they just find out what families are looking for wives for their sons and see whether one of the boys would be suitable. Then if his family agrees it would be a good match, they arrange it together."

It is not likely we would give up the freedom our culture allows in marriage, despite the criticism the Asiatics level at us. Perhaps, however, there is something we can learn from them. For example, we are told that divorce is almost unknown in India where parents select their children's mates and continue to control their sons's and daughter's lives after marriage. On the other hand, our own annual divorce rate today is about one out of every four marriages.

The case for arranged marriages in the United States, or at least for more parental control, is also strengthened by the fact that the marriage age has dropped steadily. As has been pointed out, one of every four girls in this country who marry for the first time are eighteen or under. Divorce statistics — particularly in this age group — do not speak well for the judgment of young people who insist on early marriage and living as they please.

A research project at the University of California found the divorce rate six times higher in marriages where both spouses were under twenty-one than for marriages in which one or the other spouse was thirty-one or over at the time of marriage.

A professor at Harvard has concluded in his study of the family throughout history that the strength of a nation closely parallels the solidarity of its family system. Must the right of young people to marry whom and when they please take preference over the interest of society?

Selecting a mate with parental approval may not necessarily lessen the number of divorces. Children must receive from early childhood an attitude toward marriage that will encourage them to seek their parents' counsel of their own free will, and to select mates who will reflect the family pattern that has brought them happiness in their youth and adolescence. It is true that some parents are selfish and others unwise and uneducated, but probably no one knows us better and wants more for us than do our parents.

Multitudes marry and are happy, but some individuals stumble.

—MIDRASH: BAMIDBAR RABBAH

CANADIAN PANORAMA

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ABE GOLDBERG - VERSATILE FIGURE

Abe (Abba) Goldberg, who died recently at the age of 58, was widely known in journalistic, communal and business circles. Educated in the USA, he was a graduate of Columbia University and had studied at American yeshivot.

Goldberg served as rabbi in various Ontario communities. He had been also on the staffs of the Jewish Immigrant Aid Society of Canada, and the Amalgamated Clothing Workers Union. At the time of his death he had a successful insurance business.

Another field of Goldberg's versatile talent was Anglo-Jewish journalism. At one time he edited the **Jewish Champion** of Chicago, whose circulation he helped build.

LONG LIVE THE MOVIES

By RUTHIE

Last week end was a long one. Ned and I thought we'd be able to go somewhere on New Years Eve. But that turned out to be wishful thinking. The older children had dates. What parent places his desires above those of his children? So we were left home babysitting with Heather.

Well, we had to do something. After much deliberation, we wound up going to the movies. Naturally, we saw "Babes In Toyland". We felt it safe enough for a youngster who asks a lot of questions.

For once I thoroughly enjoyed myself. Oh, the show was all right. What tickled me was my sweet husband.

He snatched every pretext to leave his seat. First he needed cigarettes. Then he wanted to stretch his legs a bit. Afterwards he thought he recognized someone in the lobby. Don't think, though, that I didn't see right through him.

Upon every trip back, he was laden with "junk"—boxes of popcorn, orange drink, peanuts, gum, snack bars, marshmallows. There was no end to it! I've finally found the intangible link between Heather and her daddy.

One other observation I made. Why is it, when a parent is elected to accompany a child to the movies, it's invariably the father? The theatre was loaded with them. And they certainly had a good time!

Sure, daddy's busy! But it doesn't take him long to reconsider. This is his chance to get away from some domestic chores.

However, it's true—a man never grows up. Did you ever notice that it's the father's hearty roar which reverberates through a theatre? He enjoys himself to the hilt. It's dark, he thinks no one sees him and he lets loose. The kids? They're too busy crackling cellophane and chewing gum.

When I was a child, my bright spots were the occasions my father took me to the movies. He couldn't afford all the treats at the candy counter, even though prices were more modest. His pockets bulged nevertheless. There were gum, pretzels, apples, oranges, bananas, cake, sandwiches. Mama made sure we had enough to eat. You see, it was always papa who wanted to see the complete show a second time. I never opposed his wish.

This arrangement worked both ways. I am sure mama welcomed a breather. She didn't have to worry about where the kids were. Is there a safer place than the movies?

Whereas mama remained at home, though, I go along. I wouldn't give anyone the satisfaction of discussing something about which I couldn't add my two cents' worth.

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RECIPE OF THE WEEK

Tongue Sandwiches

These go nicely with either hot beverages or tall, cold ones.

1½ cups coarsely ground cooked smoked tongue
¼ cup mayonnaise
1 teaspoon prepared mustard
Well-drained pickle relish (to taste)
2 egg whites (stiffly beaten)
6 slices bread and paprika

Mix together the tongue, mayonnaise, mustard and pickle relish; fold in stiffly beaten whites. Spread on bread; sprinkle with paprika. Broil under moderate heat about 10 minutes.

MAINLY ABOUT WOMEN

By ESTHER ZELDIN

• The **Parents-Teachers Association** of the **North Bathurst Talmud Torah** will hold its next meeting on Tuesday, January 9th. A review of Andre SchwartzBart's, "The Last of the Just," will be given by Julius Hayman.

Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Smith, 142 Northcliff Blvd. were given a surprise party in honour of their 50th wedding anniversary. It was tendered by their children, **Mrs. Max Weisbrod** and **Mr. Samuel Smith,** on Monday, December 25th, in the home of their grandchildren, **Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Starr,** Waterloo Avenue.

In honour of the couple, a scholarship endowment fund has been established in the Department of Agriculture of the Hebrew University in Jerusalem, by relatives and friends.

• **Pioneer Women** will hold their Donor Dinner on January 30th. **Cantor S. Meisels** will render an original cantata based on the Baal Shem Tov recently given at Pioneer Women's Convention in Pittsburgh.

• **Dr. Robert Farber** will address the P. T. A. meeting of the **Beth Hayeled Nursery** on Monday, January 8th, in the North Bathurst Talmud Torah.

• Recently a meeting of **Etzion Chapter, Mizrachi Hapoel Hamizrachi,** was held in the home of **Mrs. J. Lubotsky,** 46 Glenhurst.

Mrs. Toby Price drew the winning ticket of the summer raffle project, held by **Mrs. J. Levine,** 78 Lynhaven Rd.

Mrs. J. Spodek won the evening raffle.

• Simbrow the Magician recently highlighted the program at a meeting held by the **Manor Good Age Club.**

• Members of **Ben Gurion Club, Pioneer Women,** met on Tuesday, January 2nd, in the home of **Mrs. Julius Sokoloff,** 43 Vinci Cres.

Reports were heard from **Ruth Frankel,** bingo convenor, and **Ruth Drubich** and **Lil Gollom,** "beauty night" conveners.

• The **Nit Gedaget Ladies Social Club** held a Card Night recently at 37 Cecil St.

Mrs. T. Greenspan was the convener.

• A Henrietta Szold scholarship was provided by **Mr.** and **Mrs. J. Devor** in honour of their son's **(Marshall Gordon)** Bar Mitzvah.

This scholarship will enable a gifted Youth Aliyah child in Israel to receive a one-year's high school education.

• **Galila Club, Pioneer Women,** recently raised over $240 at a party marking Israel's Bar Mitzvah, Hanukah and thirteen years' affiliation with the Pioneer Women Organization. It was held at the Centre, 14 Viewmount Avenue.

Head table guests included: **Mrs. S. Einstoss,** president; **Mr. Einstoss; Mrs. M. Kaufman,** vice president, and **Mr. Kaufman.**

The visual aid committee assisted **Mrs. Doris Greenberg,** convener.

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OUR ENTERTAINMENT WORLD

By D. COHN

• **Eddie Fisher** says, "We are very happy We plan to stay together for the rest of our lives." How nice!

• **Arthur Loew, Jr.** and **Angie Dickinson** make a new twosome.

• When autograph nuts bothered Jane Mansfield, her **Mickey** picked up one with one hand and held him off the floor until he apologized for trying to unzip her envelope gown.

• **George DeWitt** wants to know if it's true a red-light district is a place where Con Ed is working.

• Broadway believes **Milton Berle** is out.

• **Walter Pidgeon** told director **Otto Preminger** he liked his "Advise and Consent" role so much, "I'm almost willing to give back my salary."

Preminger shrugged, "No, it wasn't enough."

• **Jack Carter** delayed his audition for the **Milton Berle** role in "Forum" — too busy.

• College never hurt a man unless, of course, he met his future wife there. Harry Rolnick.

• **Charles Chaplin** is writing a screenplay for his son, **Sydney.**

• **Otto Preminger** has perhaps the most publicized movie title of the year in "Advise and Consent." But he can't capitalize on it right now, because he's not permitted to release the film until June, when the road tour of the play will be over.

• **Martin Gabel may** direct and star in **Leo Kerz'** production of the French play, "When the Devil Wags Its Tail."

• **Lou Jacobi**, of "Come Blow Your Horn", paints for relaxation. He said: "I'm glad I'm not a painter; if I were, I would'nt know what to do to relax."

• **Herman Levin**, producer of "My Fair Lady," is trying to get **Rex Harrison** to return for a limited engagement, opposite **Sally Ann Howes.**

• **Tony Curtis** plans to do comedy in '62.

SEVENTEEN PARTS AMONG FOUR CANADIANS

It will be interesting to see "Fairy Tales of New York", opening January 17th at The Village Playhouse. Four of its young, versatile performers will assume the roles of seventeen characters.

Colin Fox, who plays the lead, and Donald Meyers both studied with Carey Nairnes. Mr. Fox formerly appeared at the Garden Centre Theatre and performed regularly on CBC-TV and radio. Mr. Meyers, manager of The Village Playhouse, played in theatres on both sides of the Atlantic. On TV, he appeared in "Cannonball", and was also seen on the screen in "The Bloody Brood".

John Ruta, Torontonian, gained wide experience in Canada and in the United States. He realized his greatest personal triumph when he appeared as Eddie Carbone in "A View From The Bridge", in which he represented America at the Monaco International Festival.

Nancy Island, young star of stage, screen and radio, is also a professional photographers' model. She appeared on screen and, on TV, performed in the Hudson Bay Series.

HELEN KARDON, one of Leonard Sillman's "New Faces of '62", now playing at O'Keefe Centre till Jan. 13th. "New Faces" is a musical review presented by Carroll and Harris Masterson featuring 20 new personalities.

Farley Granger (Brig Anderson) and Betty Rollin (Mabel Anderson) discuss some startling facts which could put their happy marriage on the rocks. The Martin Tahse National production is currently performing at the Royal Alexandra Theatre to Jan. 13.

THEATRE IN TORONTO

By BARBARA I. PEARL

"THURBER CARNIVAL" EXUDES WIT

At the Royal Alexandra Theatre last week, "A Thurber Carnival" presented a performance of wit and grace. Imogene Coca, King Donovan and Arthur Treacher, a comical triumvirate, did justice to the analogies of the late James Thurber.

Scenery was simple. It was not necessary to elaborate upon the well known Thurber slides and sketches.

Pace was quick. It began, cleverly, with a Word Dance, depicting the usual small talk while dancing.

Several of the Fable Skits (The Little Girl and the Wolf, The Wolf at the Door) were the beloved morale stories in modern dress.

Imogene Coca shone in her presentation of The Last Flower. In Thurber manner, Miss Coca portrayed the cycle of evolution: only a flower grows on earth, girl nurtures it, boy comes along, girl meets boy, children arrive, villages sprout, towns develop into cities, industries flourish, war, annihilation — then it starts over again.

The familier Life of Walter Mitty starred King Donovan at his best. While performing the most mundane tasks, Mitty day-dreams his way into a world of adventure and fame.

File and Forget presented a small inkling of big business best left a secret. Small correspondence on valuable time was not unusual, nor was it admirable.

"And They'll Make Peace" Timely

With the advent of Workshop Productions, Toronto fulfills a void in theatre whereby any hopeful in the drama need not seek possibilities elsewhere. This was adequately pointed out last Thursday when " . . . And They'll Make Peace" opened at the Arts Theatre Club, 47 Fraser Avenue.

The play was written by Jack Winters (adapted from Aristophones' "Lysistrata"). Directed by George Luscombe, ". . . And They'll Make Peace" infused the past with the present in a delightful, unusual manner.

The small basement theatre was a replica in miniature of a Grecian amphitheatre. Spectators sat on elevated stone (painted as such) steps surrounding the stage. This made a very clever set-up having injected a feeling of anticipation before the play actually began.

From various hidden spots behind the rows of seats emerged faint, eerie sounds, which, as they became louder, were identified as the wailing and weeping of women whose menfolk have gone into battle. Helping to achieve an effect of chaos were the drums which heralded the arrival of the soldiers.

Clad in short burlap, wearing metal headgear and carrying sword and shield, the ancient Greek at war was very vivid.

Chief interest, however, centered upon a group of women representing the female sex of Athens, Phoenicia, Corinthe, Sparta, Thebes. Instigated by Lysistrata, they vowed never to succumb to their husbands' desires until peace was proclaimed.

From then on it was every man (or woman) for oneself.

Barbara Armitage was a convincing and haughty Lysistrata. Though, once or twice, she seemed to swallow her words.

As an enemy Spartan become friendly, Olga Kershaw led her women with surety and precision.

Marion McLeod showed quite some dash as an old woman who led her followers in capturing the treasury.

Love interest was enhanced by the clever connivings of Myrrhina (Sandra Pollard) and Kalonika (Heidy Hunt).

One almost felt pity for the magistrate (Derrick Kershaw) who, cheap politician, thrived on war

Perhaps the scene wherein the older senators relax could have been shorter. Reminiscing is all right. But too much can become a bore.

As an aside, there was a boner. At one point, when Kinesias (Tony Moffat) was in distress, he shouted,

"For Christ's sake!"

Isn't that a little premature, since the time was 400 BC.?

"NEW FACES OF '62" NOW AT O'KEEFE

Through January 13th, Carroll and Harris Masterson are presenting "Leonard Sillman's New Faces of 1962" at the O'Keefe Centre. For the eighth season this entertaining musical revue hits the road directly from New York.

As in the past, it is hoped that this year's crop of talent will make the jackpot. Some luminaries who were discovered in "New Faces" are Henry Fonda, Imogene Coca, Eve Arden, Van Johnson, Paul Lynde, Alice Ghostly, Alice Pearce, Virginia Martin, Ronny Graham, Robert Clary, Carol Lawrence and others who grace the stage and screen.

Among this year's "New Faces" is Jean Shepherd, a comedian of great wit and charm, whose funny words have provided some of the sketches for Leonard Sillman's present "New Faces". Also present is Joey Carter, comparable to W. C. Fields, Bobby Clark and Bert Lahr. Marian Mercer and R. G. Brown have been acclaimed by New York critics in their off-Broadway work and in supper clubs. Travis Hudson is on hand with her fine voice and comedy prowess. Sylvia Lord is a rare "find", discovered by Leonard Sillman five years ago in her cafe debut and since then has developed into one of the most exciting performers ever seen.

Others, experts in their field, are too numerous to mention. Noted, however, are two of the world's most photograped and most beautiful young girls. They are American-born Joan Thornton and Sylvia, a lady from Israel. Both have said "no" more than once to Hollywood, but could not resist Sillman's ideas of presenting them in their stage debut.

Marvin Reiss is responsible for the settings and lighting. Costumes are designed by Thomas Becher. Music and lyrics are chiefly by June Carroll, Arthur Siegel, David Rogers, Mark Bucci, Jack Holmes and Murray Carter. Mr. Sillman, of course, has conceived and directed the entire production.

CIVIC SQUARE THEATRE PREPARES FOR FULL SEASON

Toronto's new Civic Square Theatre, which is currently presenting Eugene Ionesco's comedy, "Rhinoceros", has already mapped out its series for the season. It will present a new play each month.

Included in the presentations is Karl Wittlinger's "Do You Know The Milky Way?", daring and imaginative, with two actors playing a score of roles, some vital segments of improvisation and a built-in film sequence.

Also presented will be the Canadian premiere of "Simone" a new play by Ben Hecht, adapted from a work by Bertold Brecht and Lion Feuchtwanger.

Rounding out the season will be Garcia Lorca's "House of Bernarda Alba", and John Coulter's historical play, "Riel". It was first produced in Toronto a decade ago, and is generally regarded as the major epic drama written about Canada.

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Captain Tuve T. Smolensk (left), Master of the Zim Liner JERUSALEM, receives a letter of commendation from Captain James D. Craik, U.S. Coast Guard, for the rescue of a critically injured seaman from a Spanish freighter in mid-Atlantic on November 12th. Captain Smolensk, born in Tartu, Estonia, went to sea as a young man and settled in Palestine in 1940. He has been employed by the Zim Lines since 1948 and has served as a ship-Master since 1951. Captain Smolensk is married and has three children. He commands the JERUSALEM on a series of winter cruises to the Caribbean.

ISRAELI SKIPPER CITED BY U.S. COAST GUARD FOR RESCUE AT SEA

NEW YORK — Captain Tuve T. Smolensk, 45, Master of the Israeli cruise liner JERUSALEM of the Zim Israel Navigation Co. Ltd., was warmly commended by the United States Coast Guard last week for a mid-ocean dash to render medical aid to a critically injured seamen from a Spanish freighter.

A letter of commendation citing the JERUSALEM's performances as "in keeping with the highest traditions of the sea" was presented to Captain James D. Craik, Deputy Area Commander and Chief of Staff of the Third Coast Guard District at U. S. Coast Guard headquarters in New York City in November 16th.

The JERUSALEM, with 300 passengers aboard, was bound for New York from Haifa and other Mediterranean ports when she received a medical distress call from Spanish freighter, "Conde de Fontanar" somwhere between the Azores and Bermuda. The call, relayed through the Coast Guard's Atlantic Merchant Vessel Rescue center (AMVER), reported a young seamen had fallen through a hatch and suffered severe head injuries. The JERUSALEM, the nearest ship with a doctor aboard, was 600 miles away from the Spanish vessel. Captain Smolensk changed course and raced at top speed almost 400 miles to rendezvous with the "Conde de Fontanar" late Sunday afternoon, November 12th. Only 12 hours elapsed since the original message was received. A lifeboat from the JERUSALEM, manned by First Mate Michael Sand, Engineer Moshe Strassberg, Bos'un Moshe Moskowitz and ship's surgeon Dr. Witold Levin, was lowered into rough, rain-swept seas just at nightfall. Though the Spanish freighter was close by, it took almost four hours for the lifeboat to reach her, take on the injured man and return to the JERUSALEM. During that time, the Israeli liner's passengers and crew tensely lined the decks despite the foul weather.

The injured man, Domingo Villar Cardenas, 21, was found to have a fractured skull and to be in need of prompt attention of a neuro-surgeon. The Coast Guard was notified and late the next day an amphibian plane landed near the JERUSALEM and, after another mid-ocean transfer, flew the still unconscious Spanish sailor to Bermuda. The JERUSALEM docked in New York thirty hours late but nevertheless managed to sail on time the next day on the first of a series of Carribbean cruises. The Coast Guard letter to Captain Smolensk noted that the JERUSALEM had been cited for a similar rescue in the winter of 1960 when she saved the lives of two badly burned engineers from a Panamanian tanker.

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ISRAEL'S BIRD-WATCHERS

By GUSTAV WARBURG

Israel's astonishing variety of bird life should provide an outstanding attraction for tourists, for the State has hundreds of varieties. Certainly it has fewer sea birds than Britain or Holland, fewer flamingoes than the Camargue (in Southern France), nevertheless, one can see in Israel many kinds of birds of great beauty and absorbing interest. I, myself, managed to see no less than 70 different species, many of them new to me, within two hours, in the area of one kibbutz.

Israel has the additional advantage of providing interesting birds for ornithologists at all seasons of the year. True, early spring and autumn, when the migrants mingle with the resident birds, are the most suitable bird-watching periods, but in summer it is possible to see many breeding birds, often very beautiful African or Asian species rarely adorning the European scene. In winter innumerable ducks and waders from the north quarter themselves in the State.

Increased cultivation of the terrain does drive some birds away. Vultures, for example, are getting scarcer: they find fewer carcasses of dead beasts on which to feed, and also succumb to poisoned bait laid for jackals. The draining of Lake Hula has also diminished the number of birds in the area. The fact that the southern tip of the lake has been utilised as a nature reserve (the only one in the Middle East) has not sufficed to preserve all the bird-life of the area.

On the other hand, cultivation attracts birds. Various kinds of doves nest in or near new towns; they prefer cultivated gardens to wilderness. There is, in particular, one lovely small bird, the Palestine Sunbird, looking and behaving like a humming-bird, and becoming increasingly common. They feed, just like humming-birds, on the nectar of flowers and flowering shrubs A few decades ago they were a rarity, found only in a few places near the Jordan.

During my first visit to Israel in 1949 I saw only a few of these birds. This year I saw hundreds. Sitting in front of my brother's house in Kibbutz Yechiam (in Western Galilee) I watched dozens of them chirping and carping as they drew nectar from the flowers with their long tongues. The Bulbul, the "nightingale of the Arabs" is found in every village or town garden; to see three kinds of kingfishers together near a lake, fishpond, or river is nothing suprising.

There are lots of really good bird-watching areas in Israel. The fishponds in the Emek Beit Shaan, near the Jordan, for instance, at Maos Chaim or Kfar Ruppin, are the places during spring and autumn. There the migrants assemble: black and white storks, many kinds of heron, dozens of species of waterfowl, birds of prey, small song-birds, small waders, gulls, terns, rails. One has to get up early in the morning, as every bird-watcher knows, but what a thrill! And it is the same elsewhere in the State, for exmaple, at the fishponds of Maagan Michael, a kibbutz on the coast south of Haifa, where there are perhaps fewer song birds but more sea birds.

A special treat is to visit the area just north of Massada, on the Dead Sea, a place of great beauty apart from the birds to be seen. Amidst desolate stone and sait mountains one finds a verdant spot with fresh-water cascades, trees, and shrubbery. And the birds are something special, varieties not found elsewhere in Israel — red winged, glossy starlings are everywhere in evidence, and during migration-time Ein Gedi teems with birds of passage. It is an out-of-the-way place, without a proper road and accessible only by jeep, but the discomfort is well worth while.

Not only birds are to be found in the area; there are also strange kinds of mice and poisonous snakes.

In Israel 13 years ago bird-watching was not particularly popular. Now things have changed, and there is hardly a kibbutz without some nature lovers who delight in taking their guests round at five in the morning to show them the sights, their pockets bulging with bird-books (usually Peterson's Field Guide of the Birds of Europe). Bird-watching, next to archeology, has become one of the hobbies of Israel.

Kosher Hotel Opens In Italy

Towards the end of May, 1962, the Carlton Hotel will be opened in Rimini, Italy.

The Carlton Hotel is one of the very few new hotels built in Europe which will operate on a Kosher basis. The food is supervised by an authorized Shomer. The sheshita will be under the supervision of the Lubavitcher in Italy.

While there are other Kosher hotels in Europe, the Carlton is a brand new hotel in which every room will have a private shower and toilet, its own balcony with sea view and private telephone.

In addition the hotel has a lovely sun terrace, a synagogue and a very fine dining-room.

Rimini is situated on the Adriatic Coast of Italy about half way between Rome and Venice, and has one of the most beautiful sand beaches in Europe.

Swimming is possible from late April through to November. This resort hotel will supply a need that has been evident for travelers to Europe from Canada for a long time.

Daily charges including room and meals will be approximately $10.00 per person daily.

The hotel is represented by Dominion Travel Office in Toronto and reservations are now being accepted by them.

PASSION PLAY TO BE REWRITTEN

Oberammergau, (JCNS). The text of the Passion Play, which is performed here every ten years (the last time was in 1960), is to be rewritten, the local mayor, Herr Raimund Lang announced this week.

The mayor pointed out that the present text was written 100 years ago and had already been revised six times in the play's 330-year-old existence.

Last year the play was again criticised for its anti-Jewish tendencies. But the local organisers rejected criticisms on the grounds that the play was based on purely religious motives, and had nothing to do with antisemitism.

The mayor said that the play has now to be brought up to modern standards.

Jews Of Ancient Rome

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gious History II," 2nd ed., 2, 144 — is not touched upon. The reference to Talmudic passages on Jews in Rome are collected and discussed more fully in Vogelstein-Rieger. Incidentally, there is research in Modern Hebrew that deserved to be used — for instance Hans Lewy's essays on Pro Flacco and on Tacitus now collected in "Studies in Jewish Hellenism," Jerusalem, 1960, and some of the contributions (notably those by D. Goldschmidt and M. Vogelmann) to the Italian-Hebrew memorial book for Sally Mayer published in Jerusalem in 1956. It was recently announced ("The Times," September 30, 1961) that the remains of an ancient synagogue have been discovered at Ostia. If this is true, some points of Professor Leon's account will have to be modified accordingly.

But the final word must be one of gratitude for an excellent work which is clearly a labour of love.

PROFILE OF LEVI ESHKOL

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also became head of the Jewish Agency Settlement Department, later the Jewish Agency's Treasurer, and then for a short time Minister of Agriculture. As Eliezer Kaplan, the first Finance Minister, crushed under the burden of his task, weakened, Eshkol was the obvious replacement, and almost ten year ago he took over the Treasury. The State was living hand-to-mouth, strictly rationed; inflation was rampant and emissaries were borrowing money at impossible rates of interest. Under Eshkol's guidance, with reparations and Israel Bond income as ballast, the ship steadied on to a more even keel.

Eshkol's economic policy, like the man himself, is pragmatic. A Socialist in the Second Aliyah sense, his belief in social justice is rooted in his Judaism. There is nothing doctrinaire about him. And as an executive with quite considerable business experience, he can speak and understand the business man's language, learned particularly during his period as head of the Mekorot Water Company and as Director-General of the Ministry of Defence on the birth of the State, where he dealt with arms purchases, maintenance, and similar large-scale and exacting tasks.

It is therefore under his guidance that Israel was led from controls to relative liberalisation, and galloping inflation was slowed down. His gradual "liberalisation" lends itself to attack from both sides — too much decontrol, the Left claims — too slow decontrol, cries the Right. But Eshkol, the man through whose hands pass all State budgets, follows a course of organic development. And while doing all this, while negotiating with parties inside and beyond the Coalition, and while striving to keep his own party united, the "farmer" never loses his human touch. Associates have seen him giving many precious hours to reviewing complaints received from citizens who groan under one of the heaviest tax burdens in the world.

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What does he enjoy? He takes pleasure in writing. The practical man disguises a sensitive soul. He has an excellent Hebrew style, a deep feeling for the Bible (leading to the occasional misapplied quotation), an excellent ability to choose words in languages he does not fully command, an ear for music — particularly Jewish and Israeli folk-tunes, and he fosters strong family ties. The death last year of his devoted wife Elisheva, grieved him deeply.

In the past few months Eshkol has appeared as the great conciliator. He probably did more to keep his Party intact than anyone else. His role as Cabinet negotiator shows that he is very much a potential Prime Minister, and he can, in fact, be considered almost a second Prime Minister for all internal matters. But he will not accept the Premiership, his friends believe, as long as Ben-Gurion is able and willing to serve. For Eshkol's greatest trait is deep lovalty, and it is from Ben-Gurion that Eshkol has received both the chance to show his ability and the prophetic drive he so well translates in terms of work and devotion, pounds, shillings, and pence, and, most important people.

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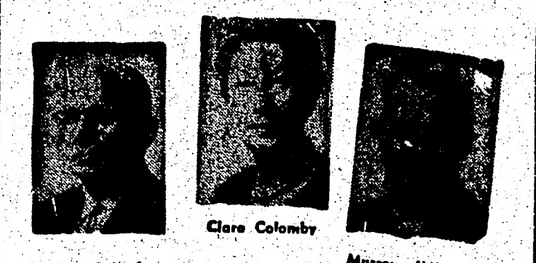

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HAMILTON COMMUNITY SUCCESSFULLY LAUNCHES DRIVE FOR OLD AGED HOME

Hamilton, Ont. (CJN).—The Hamilton campaign for the Jewish Home for the Aged and Baycrest Hospital Building Expansion Fund got off to an excellent start on Thursday December 28 with an inaugural meeting at the home of George Goldblatt.

Mr. Goldblatt is chairman of the Hamilton campaign which is under the auspices of the Council of Jewish Organizations. He is assisted by Louis A. Kurman, Executive Director of the Council.

Some 40 leading members of the Hamilton Jewish community attended the meeting at which approximately $40,000 was pledged to the campaign.

UNDERSTANDS NEEDS

Many of them took cards which they will be covering in addition to making their own gifts.

In introducing Abe Posluns and I. Irving Oelbaum, Co-Chairmen of the campaign, Mr. Goldblatt said he undertook the chairmanship in Hamilton because he strongly realizes the vital importance of the need for a new Home for the Aged and a bigger Hospital.

He told the meeting that in his opinion any help given this urgent cause was "good insurance for the future for all members of the community".

UNIVERSALLY RECOGNIZED

He urged all members of Hamilton's community to contribute as generously as they can to the campaign.

Mr. Posluns told the meeting about the wonderful work being done at the Home and Hospital. He pointed out that both institutions are recognized throughout the world as examples in the finest kind of care for the aged and chronically sick people.

WAITING LIST OF 300

He mentioned that Hamilton has always realized its responsibility to the Home and that members of Hamilton's community have always enjoyed the wonderful facilities which it offers.

Mr. Oelbaum — introduced by Mr. Posluns as "our Number One Citizen" — gave some examples which indicated the desperate need for a successful expansion program.

He stressed that there are some 300 aged men and women waiting to get into the Home. That some of them may not live long enough to be admitted unless something is done quickly.

NEEDS $4,500,000

The Building Expansion Fund is seeking $4,500,000 to build a new Home for the Aged which will have accommodation for 355 residents and to enlarge Baycrest Hospital from 87 to 180 beds.

So far some $2,100,000 has been raised and a further $1,400,000 is expected from Government grants. In addition about $800,000 is expected from corporation gifts and Jewish communities across the province.

Jeanette Kurman, the CJN Hamilton representative, can be contacted directly about this department: JA. 7-8102 or LI. 4-7968

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ISRAELI ART EXHIBIT

The Adult Activities Committee of the Council of Jewish Organizations will present an exhibit of Israeli art at the Jewish Community Centre from January 14th through January 26th, 1962.

The Honorable Eliezer N. Dembitz, Israel Consul in Toronto, will open the exhibit at 2:30 p.m. Sunday, January 14th.

Arranged in conjunction with the Central Region of the Zionist Organization of Canada, the exhibit will feature over 15 of Israel's leading artists, many of whose works have recently been viewed in the outstanding art galleries of the world.

MAPAI LEADER VISITS TORONTO

Ben Zion Ilan, a leading member of Israel's Mapai (Labor) Party, and member of its secretariat, will visit Toronto next week to address a meeting of Israel Histadrut Campaign workers.

He will speak to campaigners at 12 Viewmount Ave., on Wednesday evening (8:30), January 10.

Mr. Ilan as an American chalutz who settled in Israel nearly 30 years ago. Born in 1913 in New York City, Ben Zion Ilan is a graduate of the Isaac Elchanan Yeshiva. In 1932 he went to Palestine and was among the founders of Afikim in the Jordan Valley.

CALENDAR

January 9
— Deborah Sisterhood "Paid-up" Membership Luncheon — Temple Anshe Sholom — afternoon

January 10
— National Council of Jewish Women Dessert Meeting and Card Party — J.C.C. — afternoon
— Bat Ami Ladies — J.C.C. — P.M.

January 13
— B'nai B'rith Viceroy Reading Lodge — P.M.

January 14
— G.O.I. Regular Meeting — J.C.C. — A.M.
— Workmen's Circle — J.C.C. — A. M.
— Guy Carawan Concert — J.C.C. — P.M.

January 15
— Pioneer Women — J.C.C. — P.M.
— National Council of Jewish Women Executive at home of Mrs. Morris Wright — afternoon
— Hadassah Council Membership Dinner Meeting — P.M.

COUNCIL OF JEWISH WOMEN LUNCHEON

The Hamilton Branch of the Council of Jewish Women is fulfilling the great role of Council Women in the many activities. Its many volunteer workers devote themselves to helpful activities with retarded children, youngsters afflicted with cerebral palsy, to the cancer clinic and the hospitals and many others. Its precepts have filtered through to the youth with the formation recently of the Council Teens, a group of eighteen girls, ages 13 to 14, who asked to become part of the Council and are already engaged in work with children confined to hospitals.

At the next general meeting of the Council, January 10th, at the Jewish Community Centre, Mrs. Morris Rosenhead will speak on "Antiques in the Modern Home" and will present a display of antiques. A dessert luncheon will be served.

Bialik Day School Opening, Sunday

The new Bialik Hebrew Day School will be officially dedicated on January 7, with the participation of parents, guests and representatives of the North York Board of Education and the Bureau of Jewish Education.

Ensconced in a modern, bright building at 12 Viewmount Avenue, the Bialik School has brought together teachers and students from many parts of the world. One teacher.... whose responsibility is the Hebrew curriculum, is a Sabra with about 8 years of teaching experience. Another was born and educated in Lithuania and has a fine Musical training to back up her general academic training. Still another, a Torontonian, is in charge of the Board of Education curriculum. The students too, though most of them are Toronto born, came from far-scattered parts of the Globe.

The curriculum of the new school is designed to utilize the most modern educational methods to provide the student with a balanced, sound Jewish education.

General public school studies are incorporated into the day's schedule and plans call for classes small enough in size to give the teacher an opportunity to know and guide her students better. The aim of the school is to produce a well adjusted, well-versed child, familiar with all facets of his Jewish heritage and his Canadian heritage.

The opening ceremonies will include a presentation by the newly organized choir of the local Farband Labor Zionist Organization under the director **Mr. B. Papernick.**

Special guest is Shlomo Wiseman, B.A., M.A. (McGill), one of Canada's leading educators.

The Bialik Hebrew Day School is operated under the supervision of the Bureau of Jewish Education and the United Jewish Welfare Fund of Toronto.

YORK CHAPTER B'NAI B'RITH BRINGS CHEER

During the month of December, **York Chapter, B'nai B'rith** held two parties to aid the afflicted.

One was the annual **Muscular Dystrophy Christmas party,** held at **Saranac Public School.**

The **Leaside Shriners Association and St. John's Ambulance Corps** provided transportation for the children and their families.

Mrs. M. Silver and **Mrs. R. Kotzer** convened the affair. Guests from the **Toronto Chapter** of the **Muscular Dystrophy Association** were: Mesdames **Aziz, Sprately, Heward, Miss Wickam, Mr.** and **Mrs. Rigsby.**

Another party was tendered to the patients at the **Ontario Mental Hospital** in **New Toronto.**

A group from the **Rokeah Pharmacists** provided the music.

This affair was tendered by: Mesdames **Grace Schwartz, Elsie Gilbert, Julia Yorke, Frances Kotzer, Greta Miller** and **Kay Mellinger.**

TORONTO OBITUARIES

GELESPY, Phillip. On December 26th, late of 1035 Eglinton Ave. W. Services arranged by College Memorial Chapel, 331 College St.

EPSTEIN, Louis. On December 26th, late of the Seaway Hotel.

GOLDMAN, Dora. On December 26th, late of 150 Combe Ave.

LEVITT, Edward. On December 28th, late of 168 Glen Cedar Rd.

NEFSKY, David. On December 30th, late of 436 Manning Ave.

NEFSKY, Max. On December 29th, late of 143 Bowie Ave.

ROGOW, Benjamin. On December 27th, late of Peterborough, Ont.

STEINER, Anna. On December 26th, late of 142 Euclid Ave.

UROWITZ, Isadore. On December 26th, late of 2 Skipton Court.

WAGMAN, Irving. On December 27th, late of Baycrest Hospital. Services arranged by Park Memorial Chapel, 508 Spadina Ave.

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